

## **CALL FOR ENTRIES**

### **An Artistic Discovery 2011**

Deadline: Friday, April 22, 2011

The 30th Annual Congressional Art Competition and Exhibition for High School Students

Sponsored by Congressman Gus M. Bilirakis; the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, St. Petersburg College, Tarpon Springs Campus; Southwest Airlines; Sonja and Gus Stefanadis

## **DESCRIPTION**

An Artistic Discovery, launched in 1982, is coordinated by Members of Congress and is an annual high school art competition and exhibition representing Congressional districts across the nation. The Best of Show artwork travels to Washington, D.C. to be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol Building's Cannon Tunnel with other Congressional winners .

## **2011 GUIDELINES**

The competition is open to high school students only. Exceptions may be made by the Congressional Member for schools that have 7th through 12 grades in one building. Entrants must live in the Ninth Congressional District.

Artwork must conform to these restrictions: Artwork must be two dimensional Artwork can be no larger than 28"x 28" x 4" (28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep) and no more than

15 lbs.

Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo (not the student's own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted. Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing).

Accepted mediums are as follows: Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.; Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers; Collage: must be two dimensional; Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints; Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc.; Computer-generated art; Photography

**A typed or legibly-printed copy of the [Student Information & Release Form](#) must be completed, signed by all parties and attached to the back of the artwork to identify it and to certify its originality. Works on paper must be securely matted and backed. □ Frames are not necessary.**

If the artwork is abstract in design, use arrows on the back to indicate which side is up. Entries are limited to one per student and each teacher may enter up to ten (new this year) works. The Best of Show artwork will hang in the Capitol for the entire year of the national exhibition and cannot be returned earlier. Students should submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.

### **AWARDS CEREMONY & RECEPTION□□**

Thursday, May 5, 2011; 7-9 p.m.

Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art/Fine Arts Auditorium

All entrants and their families, friends, teachers, principals, assistant principals, art supervisors and superintendents are invited to attend the ceremony and reception.

### **AWARDS**

Best of Show - \$250.00 award, ribbon, artwork professionally framed by the LRMA, Display for one year in the U.S. Capitol Building's Cannon Tunnel with other Congressional winners  
Three Awards of Merit - \$100.00 each and ribbon  
Five Honorable Mentions - \$50.00 each and ribbon

## **EXHIBITION DATES**

Friday, May 6 – Saturday, May 21, 2011  
Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art/Fine Arts Auditorium  
Hours: Tues, Wed, Sat: 10-5 pm; Thurs: 10-8; Fri: 10-4; Sun: 1-5 pm (closed Mondays)

## **TEACHER REQUIREMENTS**

The Student Information & Release Form must be completed and attached to the back of each entry.

Artworks must be transported in a secure portfolio and the portfolio labeled with the school's name and the words "An Artistic Discovery, LRMA."

An Inventory Sheet must be completed and forwarded in the portfolio with the student entries.

## **DELIVERY AND PICK-UP OF ARTWORKS**

The delivery location may vary according to County or School System. Please read accordingly.

Pinellas County Public School System works must be delivered to:  
Pinellas County Schools, Administration Building  
Attn: Sue Castleman  
301 4th St. SW, Largo, FL  
Works must arrive by Friday, April 22, 2011.  
Works will be returned to Sue Castleman.

Hillsborough County Public School System works must be delivered to:  
Hillsborough County Schools, Raymond O. Shelton School Administrative Center  
Attn: Dana Warner  
901 E. Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, FL  
Works must arrive by Friday, April 22, 2011.  
Works will be returned to Dana Warner.

Pasco County Public School System and Private School System works must be delivered to:  
Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, St. Petersburg College  
Attn: Patti Buster, Education Coordinator (727) 712-5226  
600 Klosterman Road, Tarpon Springs, FL  
Works must arrive by Friday, April 22, 2011.

Teachers or students must retrieve works by Friday, May 27, 2011.

(The Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art will handle each student artwork in a professional manner.  
The Museum will assume no responsibility in case of loss, damage, theft, etc. of any artwork.)